

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1566 – HB 1833

April 27, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006707): Deletes all language after the enacting clause and creates a 27-member chronic kidney disease task force to develop a plan to educate the public and health care professionals about advantages and methods of early screening, diagnosis, and treatment of chronic kidney disease; recommend implementation of a plan for early screenings, diagnosis and treatment; and identify barriers to adoption of best practices and potential public policy options to address the barriers. All members of the task force shall serve voluntarily except for the four legislative members, the chief medical officer of the Department of Health and the two physicians appointed by the Tennessee Medical Association. The Department shall provide administrative and research staff for the task force. The task force shall submit a report to the General Assembly within one year from the date of its first meeting at which time it shall cease to exist.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,700/One-Time
\$48,900/Recurring

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$35,100/FY09-10

Assumptions applied to amendment:

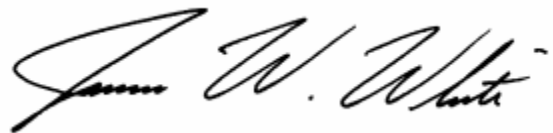
- Seven members of the 27 member task force will receive travel reimbursements for attending meetings. The meetings will be held in Nashville. The chief medical officer for the Department of Health works from the central office in Nashville and will not receive reimbursement.
- It is estimated that of the two physicians appointed by the TMA, one will be from either East or West Tennessee and the other will be from Middle Tennessee.

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- The one East or West Tennessee physician member will receive \$360 per meeting which includes mileage (300 miles x \$.54 = \$162), hotel (\$117), and meals (\$81).
- The One Middle Tennessee physician member will receive \$54 (100 miles x \$.54) per meeting.
- Each of the four legislative members will receive travel and per diem expenses of \$325 (\$171 per diem plus \$154 mileage for each member) per meeting resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$1,300 per meeting.
- The task force will meet at least four times resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$6,856 [4 x (\$360 + \$54 + \$1,300)].
- The Department of Health will need a part-time public health program director position to assist the task force with research and provide administrative support. This position will result in an increase in expenditures of \$28,200 for salary (\$24,800), travel (\$300), communications and networking (\$1,400) and a computer (\$1,700).
- All meetings will occur during FY09-10 and the task force will cease to exist after providing its report.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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